

2020 Provincial Student Soloist Competition

Application Deadline: March 27, 2020 (4:00pm CDT)

The Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra invites string students in Manitoba aged 14 to 18 to submit an application and recording for the 2020 Provincial Student Soloist Competition. This competition will provide an opportunity to showcase a talented young musician in concert with the WSO during the Up Close and Orchestral program in fall 2020.

For more information, please visit wso.ca/uco



Eligibility

- Any Manitoba string student (including harp & guitar)
- Must be between the ages of 14 to 18 (at the time of application)
- This competition is not open to voice or piano students.
- Please note that the 2021 competition will be open to wind, brass & percussion students. The competition alternates annually between strings and woodwind/brass/percussion.

Auditions

Auditions will be held in two rounds. The preliminary round will be determined by submitted recordings, due on March 27, 2020. All applicants will be notified of the results via e-mail by April 17, 2020. The final, live round of auditions will be held in May or June, 2020 (date TBD).

First Round – Recorded Audition

- Recording may be submitted on an audio CD, or in digital format (MP3 file, YouTube, etc.). Audio may be submitted on audio or data CD/DVD, USB drive, as an e-mail attachment or by file sharing service link. Videos will be accepted but only the audio will be provided to the jury.
- Repertoire is the choice of the applicant, however all submissions must be a minimum of four (4) minutes to a maximum of eight (8) minutes in duration.
- Accompaniment is optional (but encouraged).
- Repertoire, including composer, title and duration must be included on or with the recording.
- Students may perform more than one piece, so long as time restrictions are met and not exceeded.

Final Round – Live Audition

- Three finalists will audition for a live jury selected by the WSO. The date of the live audition is TBD (May or June, 2020).
- Repertoire selection is the choice of the applicant and should include two contrasting pieces or movements. It is recommended that one of the selections be from the approved WSO repertoire list available at wso.ca/uco, or be a piece the applicant is willing to purchase/rent for the performances.
- A maximum time of eight minutes applies for each finalist.
- Repertoire for this round MUST be accompanied and applicants are responsible for providing their own accompanist (and page turner, if required). A piano will be made available for the performance but may not be available for warm-up.

Winner

- One winner will be chosen from three finalists.
- The winner will be chosen based on their ability, musicianship and style. All decisions are final and at the discretion of the WSO.
- The winner will be awarded the opportunity to perform with the WSO during the Up Close & Orchestral program and must be available for all rehearsals and performances with the WSO in October, 2020.
- Performance repertoire to be decided upon with the WSO and is highly recommended to be selected from the approved WSO list at wso.ca/uco
- The winner will receive an honorarium and a WSO 2020-2021 Soundcheck Season Pass.

2020 PROVINCIAL STUDENT SOLOIST COMPETITION APPLICATION FORM

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Friday, March 27, 2020 (4:00PM CDT)

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Complete application form (including parent signature)
- Audio recordings (including repertoire list)
- Short biography of applicant (typed, 150 words or less)
- Letter of recommendation from private or school music teacher
- \$25.00 Application fee
(Application Fee can be paid by cheque, credit card or money order and is non-refundable. Cheques are payable to "Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra")

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

Brent Johnson,
Education Manager
Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra
Phone: (204) 949-3967

BY E-MAIL

bjohnson@wso.mb.ca

BY MAIL, COURIER OR DROP-OFF

2110-One Lombard Place
(21st Floor, Richardson Building)
Winnipeg, MB R3B 0X3



APPLICANT

Name: _____

Instrument: _____

Current Age: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

E-mail: _____

SCHOOL & PRIVATE STUDY

Current Grade in School: _____

School you currently attend: _____

School Music Teacher: _____

Private Music Teacher: _____

Total Years of Private Study: _____

Private Teacher Phone: _____

Private Teacher E-mail: _____

REPERTOIRE

Selection 1 Title: _____

Composer: _____ Length: _____

Selection 2 Title: _____

Composer: _____ Length: _____

Selection 3 Title: _____

Composer: _____ Length: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (if under 18): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

PAYMENT

- Cheque/Money Order (\$25 payable to Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra)
- Credit Card # _____ - _____ - _____

Expiry: _____

Signature: _____